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AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING OLIGONUCLEOTIDE CONTAINING  
THEREOF**

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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated October 20, 2008.

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